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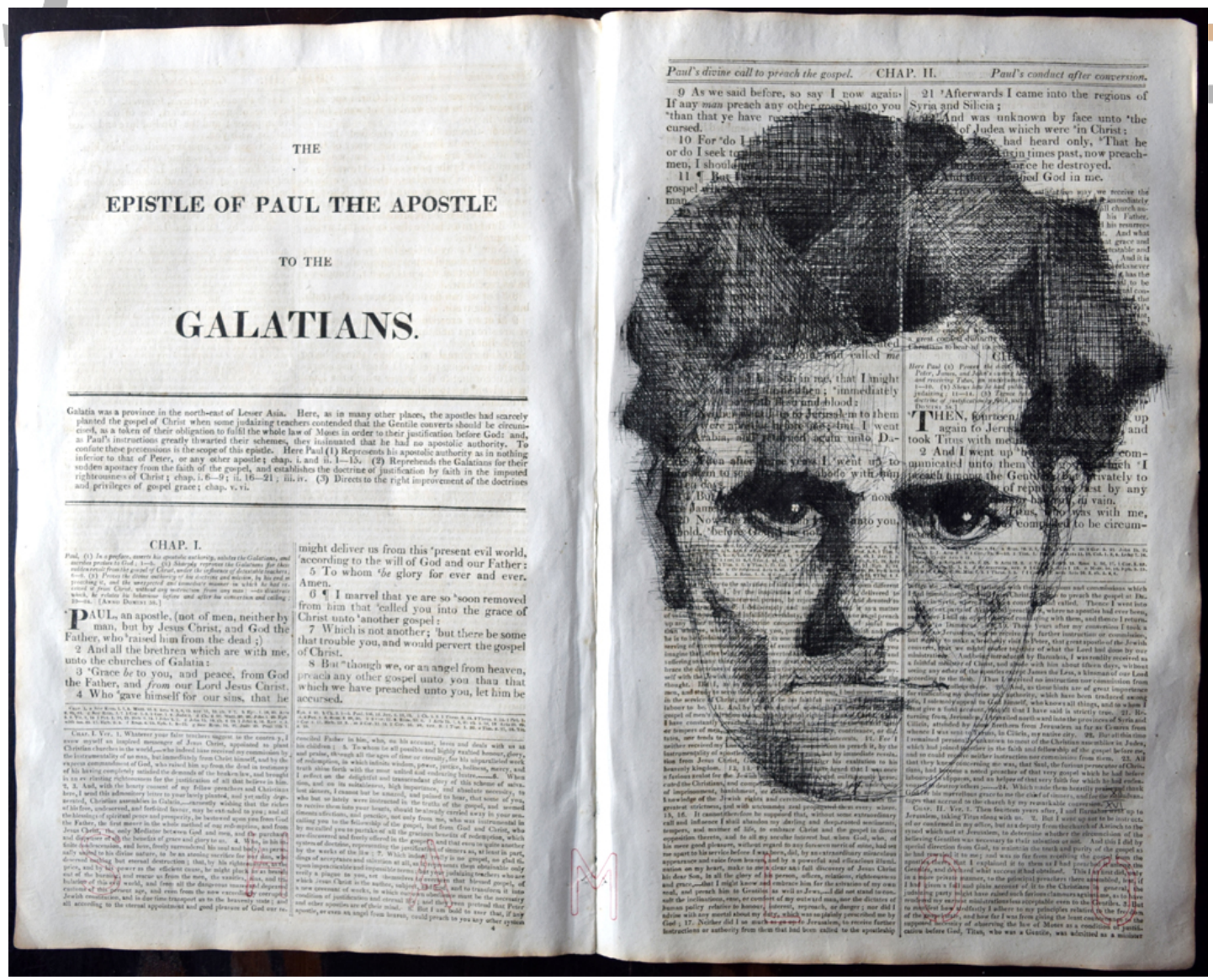

THE

EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE

TO THE

GALATIANS.

Galatia was a province in the north-east of Lesser Asia. Here, as in many other places, the apostles had scarcely planted the gospel of Christ when some judaizing teachers contended that the Gentile converts should be circumcised, as a token of their obligation to fulfil the whole law of Moses in order to their justification before God: and, as Paul's instructions greatly thwarted their schemes, they insinuated that he had no apostolic authority. To confute these pretensions is the scope of this epistle. Here Paul (1) Represents his apostolic authority as in nothing inferior to that of Peter, or any other apostle; chap. i. and ii. 1—15. (2) Reprehends the Galatians for their sudden apostacy from the faith of the gospel, and establishes the doctrine of justification by faith in the imputed righteousness of Christ; chap. i. 6—9; ii. 16—21; iii. iv. (3) Directs to the right improvement of the doctrines and privileges of gospel grace; chap. v. vi.

CHAP. I.

PAUL, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who 'raised him from the dead;)

2 And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:

3 'Grace *be* to you, and peace, from God the Father, and *from* our Lord Jesus Christ.

4 Who 'gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this 'present evil world, 'according to the will of God and our Father:

5 To whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

6 ¶ I marvel that ye are so 'soon removed from him that 'called you into the grace of Christ unto 'another gospel:

7 Which is not another; 'but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.

8 But "though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

Paul's divine call to preach the gospel. CHAP. II. *Paul's conduct after conversion.*

9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you 'than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

10 For 'do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

11 ¶ But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.

21 'Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;

22 And was unknown by face unto 'the churches of Judea which were 'in Christ:

23 But they had heard only, 'That he which persecuted us 'in times past, now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.

24 And they glorified God in me.

CHAP. II.

THEN, fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with me also.

2 And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.

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